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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 11-22 without prejudice and disclaimer.

Please add new Claims 30-41 as follows:

30. A method for promoting growth or recovery of a specific organ selected from the group consisting of a small intestine, a duodenum, a jejunum, a liver and a skeleton muscle of a mammal as determined by a measurable indicator, the method comprising the steps of:

selecting a dietary protein selected from the group consisting of a protein hydrolysate having a specific degree of hydrolysis, one or more free amino acids and mixtures thereof; and administering a therapeutically effective amount of the dietary protein to the mammal.

The method of Claim 30 wherein the measurable indicator is selected from the 31. group consisting of weight, protein concentration, RNA concentration, protein synthesis capacity, protein synthesis rate, daily protein synthesis, ribosomal activity and combinations thereof of the specific organ.